

REMARKS

Claims 16–23, 34–35, 40–52, 58–60 and 68–69 are pending in the present application.

Claims 53–55, 57, 61–67 and 70–72 have been canceled herein, and claims 40, 51 and 68–69 were amended herein.

Claims 16–23, 34–35 and 58–60 have been allowed.

Claims 40 was rejected as indefinite under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, but was indicated to be allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejection. Claim 40 has been so amended herein.

Claims 68–69 were rejected as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but were indicated to be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 68–69 have been so rewritten herein.

Allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

If any issues arise, or if the Examiner has any suggestions for expediting allowance of this Application, the Applicant respectfully invites the Examiner to contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below or at *dvenglarik@munckbutrus.com*.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees connected with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0208.

Respectfully submitted,

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